

AMERICANS ESCAPE FROM PARRAL FATE OF OTHERS LEFT IN DOUBT

(By Associated Press.)

EL PASO, Texas, Nov. 18.—A message received by the Alvarado Mining and Milling company here stated that Leslie Webb and four other Americans who left Parral prior to the evacuation of the town by Carranza troops had arrived in Culiacan, Sinaloa, on the west coast of Mexico.

The members of the party were: T. G. Hawkins, Jr., Leslie Webb, Bernard McDonald, Howard Gray and A. W. Morris. These Americans are believed to have left Parral on November 2 and to have traveled overland to the west coast, a distance of approximately 400 miles. The fate of the six other Americans and as many more foreigners who were in Parral is not yet known.

The message was signed by T. G. Hawkins, Jr., who is superintendent of the Alvarado company's mines at Parral. Hawkins asked the company officials here to notify his father, T. G. Hawkins, Sr., who lives in eastern Texas.

A report has also been received here that a German was killed in Santa Rosalia, and friends of Edgar Koch, who disappeared in Santa Rosalia, after the Villa bandits robbed him of \$50,000 worth of silver, fear he was murdered by the bandits.

TRY TO STARVE OUT ENGLAND

U-BOAT WARFARE APPROACHING
ACUTE STAGE WHICH MAY
INVOLVE THE U. S.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—The reported visit of Baron Burian, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, to Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg at Berlin for a full discussion of submarine warfare and its effect on the United States, aroused interest here, but could not be confirmed by official dispatches.

Government officials do not conceal their disquiet over the present submarine situation and some of them fear that the Teutonic powers may at any moment launch a starvation campaign against England which could not fail to involve the United States.

Secretary Lansing, however, authorized the statement that as yet "there is absolutely no truth in the reports that the department has information that a definite decision has been reached to launch a ruthless German submarine campaign."

SPUDS LEFT TO ROT WHILE PRICES SOAR

FEDERAL ATTORNEY STARTS AN
INVESTIGATION IN COLORADO
AND WYOMING

(By Associated Press.)

DENVER, Nov. 18.—A general investigation of the increased price of food stuffs was ordered late yesterday by Harry B. Tedrow, United States district attorney for Colorado. The Denver Housewives' league will aid in the inquiry in Denver. The investigation was ordered following reports of a Denver wholesale provisions dealer allowing 29 cars of potatoes to freeze and rot while waiting for higher prices.

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CONTRACTS FOR BATTLESHIPS WILL BE GIVEN PRIVATE FIRMS

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Construction contracts for four battleships and 16 destroyers will be awarded to private builders early next week, Secretary Daniels announced at the conclusion of a three days' series of conferences between navy department officials and representatives of the shipyards.

The two low bidders for battleships, the New York Shipbuilding company and the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, stood out at first at the navy's stipulation for electric propulsion, but finally surrendered to the department's wishes. Each company will build two battleships, reaching its own understanding with the electrical equipment companies furnishing the propulsion machinery. The government will deal only with the builders, who will guarantee the operation of the ships.

Eight destroyers will go to the Fore River Shipbuilding company of Quincy, Mass., six to the Union Iron works of San Francisco, and two to William Cramp & Sons of Philadelphia.

While a final decision has not been reached as to the four 35-knot scout cruisers, Secretary Daniels indicated that congress would be asked to raise the limit of cost on these vessels.

Bids for the construction of 29 submarines, two of which will be of the 800 ton seagoing type, will be submitted to the secretary next week.

AMERICAN MONEY FOR FRENCH CITIES

LOANS TO RELIEVE SUFFERINGS
CAUSED BY PROLONGED
HOSTILITIES

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—Kuhn, Loeb & Co., who recently made a loan of \$50,000,000 to the city of Paris to relieve the sufferings of that community as a result of the war and for other municipal purposes, announce the closing of a similar loan for \$20,000,000 each to the municipalities of Bordeaux, Lyons and Marseilles.

The negotiation in each instance is in the form of three year six per cent bonds and it is understood that no part of the proceeds will be employed in the purchase of war supplies.

The King of Greece, having defied the thrice declared desire of the people, now calls on the world to "save Greece"—from the result of his policies. The king is a bum sport.—Buffalo News.

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